



2005 Election Reform Package

S E C R E T A R Y O F S T A T E S A M R E E D

Local option vote-by-mail Substitute House Bill 1754

The county Auditor is allowed to conduct all elections entirely by mail with express authorization from the county legislative authority. Authorization must apply to all elections conducted in that county.

County legislative authority must give the county Auditor at least 90 days notice prior to the first election to be conducted entirely by mail.

At least 180 days notice is required if the legislative authority and the Auditor decide to revert to polling place elections.

The Secretary of State is required to study available technologies that will allow a voter to conveniently determine whether his or her ballot was received and counted. The Secretary of State must report its findings to the Legislature by December 31, 2006.

Previously, counties could conduct all elections entirely by mail if there were less than 200 poll voters per precinct.